REMARKS

This Supplemental response has been promptly submitted to clarify certain ambiguities that were discovered in the recent Office Action dated November 5, 2003 and the Amendment papers that were duly submitted via first class mail on April 5, 2003.

Further review of the specification confirms that sub-paragraph 41 on page 13 of the preliminary amendment filed 9/24/01 is already in proper form with a serial number. Also the missing serial numbers have now been obtained for sub-paragraphs 38-40 mentioned in the Office Action. Accordingly, this supplemental amendment corrects the previous informalities by adding serial numbers to replace attorney docket numbers, and supersedes the previous amendment that erroneously deleted the reference to U.S. patent applications in sub-paragraphs 38-41.

The formal drawings requested in the office action are being prepared, and will be submitted in due course.

Three inadvertent typographical errors in the Amendment/Response mailed on April 5, 2004 have been corrected (see attachments). The 2665 Group Art Unit and the Office Action date of November 5, 2003 are now correctly recited, and the Amendment/Reply box on the Transmittal form is now checked.

A Supplemental IDS is being separately submitted for consideration by the Examiner.

The undersigned attorney appreciates the careful and thorough examination of this case by the Examiner, and is available to discuss any issues that would advance the prosecution of this case.

Enclosures

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.